HANDBOOK ORGANIZATION

The objective of this handbook is to support park staff in the remediation of AML sites. Previously, information on abandoned mines was incomplete and scattered among numerous documents. The handbook attempts to consolidate existing information that is relevant to AML sites in the national parks.

When a specific need arises, the reader will want to go directly to useful information without having to wade through information not pertinent to the particular need. The triggers for action will come from the need to develop an AML program, perform site inventories, protect public safety, and remediate sites. The handbook is organized by these needs, and the reader can go directly to pertinent information.

The handbook must provide up-to-date information on the most effective and efficient methods for AML remediation. For this reason, the handbook is a set of booklets bound in a loose leaf binder. In this way, individual booklets can be revised without having to republish the entire handbook. For field trips, only Tab VII Field Guide is essential, and it can be removed from the binder. The Field Guide consolidates reference material and checklists for conducting site inventories and reconnaissance.

REFERENCE

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